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CMPRD City of Malibu Parks & Recreation Dept 310-317-1364

CNI The Children's Nature Institute 310-860-9484 CNPS California Native Plant Society 818-348-5910 **CORBA** Concerned Off-Road Bicyclists Assn 818-206-8213 CRPD Conejo Recreation & Park District 805-495-2163

CSP California State Parks 818-880-0363 Coastwalk California 310-394-2799 CWC FORC Friends of Runyon Canyon 323-666-5004

LADPR County of Los Angeles Dept of Parks & Recreation 213-738-2961 LANABA L.A. Chapter of the North American Butterfly Assn 310-454-4279

LAAS Los Angeles Audubon Society 323-876-0202

MCD Malibu Creek Docents 818-889-6238

MLMD Malibu Lagoon Museum Docents 310-456-8432

MRCA Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority 310-858-7272 x131

MRT Mountains Restoration Trust 818-591-1701 NOWW The Nature of Wildworks 310-455-0550 NPS National Park Service 805-370-2301

RCDSMM Resource Conserv. District of the Santa Monica Mtns 818-597-8627

SC Sierra Club 213-387-4287

SFVAS San Fernando Valley Audubon Society 310-457-5796 SFVGP San Fernando Valley Gourd Patch 818-996-3606 **SMBAS** Santa Monica Bay Audubon Society 310-395-6235 SMMC Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy 310-589-3200

SMMF Santa Monica Mountains Fund 805-370-2341

SMMNHA Santa Monica Mountains Natural History Association 805-488-1827

SMMTC Santa Monica Mountains Trails Council 818-222-4531

SRSMMR UCLA Stunt Ranch Santa Monica Mountains Reserve 310-206-3887

TCA Temescal Canyon Association 310-459-5931 TCD Topanga Canyon Docents 310-455-1696

TOPAW Thousand Oaks Plein Air Watercolorists 805-494-1700

TP TreePeople 818-753-4600

WRD Will Rogers State Historic Park Docents 310-454-8212



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Spirit of the Mountains Photo Contest
2009 Winner – 1st Place, People in Parklands



Nestled within the heart of the park, in an oak-woodland meadow setting, is a new building. This 3000 square-foot facility replaces the Solstice Canyon dormitory destroyed in the 2007 Corral Fire. The new location is the Diamond X Ranch once belonging to legendary cowboy Rex Allen.

This dormitory is designed to support a living, social and working environment for National Park Service seasonal staff and interns. As a 'net-zero' energy building, it produces as much energy as it uses over the course of a year. In fact, it is the first new-construction building to meet National Park Service 'net zero' standards.

- Kim Park, NPS 'Green Team' Chairperson

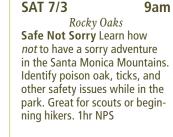
How did this building achieve 'net zero'? The east-west orientation of the building harnesses the most solar energy. Basic space and water heating needs are met through a 36kW photovoltaic roof-mounted solar array, a ground geoexchange field and pump for heating and cooling air, a solar hot water heating system, and daylighting. Selecting the highest EnergyStar®-rated appliances available and using energy-efficient paint colors plus construction materials also helped.

Geoexchange is an increasing popular choice for new construction but is as old as the earth itself. Geoexchange technology involves tapping into the relatively constant temperature of the earth (inset photo is of geoexchange field). Daylighting is based on a centuries old design basic that has been "rediscovered" by 20th century architects. It involves placing windows or other openings and reflective surfaces so that natural light provides internal lighting. Energy savings is also achieved

from passive solar heating or cooling. Using such practices,

it was back to basics for getting to 'net zero.'

Getting to Net Zero



SAT 7/3 9am Malibu Creek State Park Introduction to Mountain Bike Skills Learn backcountry preparedness, shared-use etiquette, and riding fundamentals. Mountain bike and helmet required. Heavy rain cancels.

Info: www.corbamtb.com or

805-558-1606. 4hrs CORBA



SAT 7/3

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Franklin's Movie Magic This site has been the backdrop for such classics as When a Stranger Calls, It Happened One Night, and The Andy Griffith Show. Go on location with naturalist Diane on this easy walk. 2hrs MRCA

10am

SAT 7/3 5:30pm

Cold Creek Preserve -Lower Stunt High Trailhead First Saturday in Cold Creek Valley Preserve Delight in late afternoon lights, colors, and shadows in a basin set among craggy peaks. 2hrs CCD

SAT 7/3 7:30pm

Leo Carrillo State Park **Summer Campfire Wildlife Educational Presentation** Meet live wild birds, mammals, and reptiles in this up-close encounter with local wildlife. 1hr NOWW

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE VISITOR CENTER Exhibit Opening — Sandra Glover July 3, Saturday, 1:30pm – 3:00pm

Enjoy watercolor and oil paintings on Santa Monica Mountains flora and fauna by naturalist **Sandra Glover**. See the exhibit and meet the artist at the opening celebration. Refreshments will be served. The exhibit will run through July 28.

Info: 805-370-2301

10[™] Anniversary Season Concerts, play readings, family nights, and more

Onco Upon a Canyon Night

Season Opening Saturday, July 17

Pack a picnic dinner and join us under the stars at TreePeople's S. Mark Taper Foundation Amphitheatre in Coldwater Canyon Park. FEE.

For a full season schedule: www.treepeople.org or 818-623-4877

SUN 7/4

7am

Topanga State Park Bird Walk Buffs and beginners will enjoy discovering the ways of the birds. Bring binoculars, hat, water, and snack (bird book optional). Info: 310-455-1401. 3hrs SC/LAAS

SUN 7/4 9:30am

Paramount Ranch From Set to Screen Illusions and hard work turn a dusty set into a realistic town. Join us on this easy-paced walk to discover movie magic and the history of Paramount Ranch, 1hr NPS

SUN 7/4 10am

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Kids' Hands at Franklin Ages 3-8 accompanied by an adult, join naturalist Lucy on a stroll and get inspired for your nature art project. 2hrs MRCA

WED 7/7 9am

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa Plein Air Landscape Painting All artists are welcome to join in creating art. Bring your materials and participate or just observe. Call Trish 805-376-0034. 4hrs TOPAW

THU 7/8 7:30am

Franklin Canyon -Franklin Canyon Ranch **Thursday Hikers** Moderately paced 4-7 mile hike depending on weather. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels. Info: 818-787-5420. SC

SAT 7/10 8:45am

Topanga State Park Lower Topanga Creek Restoration Plant, water, and weed creekside native vegetation. Receive credit for community service. Bring water, snack, and sturdy footwear. Reservations required: 818-591-1701 x203 or volunteer@treepeople.org. 3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP

Temescal Canyon

Tuesday Evening Hikes

July 6 through mid-August

Meet at 6pm in Temescal Gateway Park to carpool to trailhead. Wear hiking boots/sturdy shoes; bring water. 2.5 hours



SAT 7/10 9:30am

Headwaters Corner **Youth Naturalist Program** "Outdoor Survival" Ages

8-12 learn what to do if they get lost hiking, learn how to not get lost and how to stay safe until help comes. Fee. Pre-registration required: 818-591-1701 x181. 3hrs MRT

SAT 7/10 9:30am

Will Rogers State Historic Park Paint-Out All artists welcome. Capture the beauty of this historic location and recently renovated home of Will Rogers. Info: allied-artists.com or 310-383-1374. 4hrs AASMM

National Park Service

LECTURE SERIES

Mountain Lions, **Bobcats & Coyotes**

of Santa Monica Mountains

July 10 Saturday, 2pm

National Park Service Visitor Center

Join Seth Riley, PhD, NPS Wildlife Ecologist, and co-editor of **Urban Carnivores:** Ecology, Conflict and Conservation for the latest findings on the mountain lions, bobcats, and coyotes in our mountains. He will share his research on the future prospects for these local carnivores. After the presentation, Dr. Riley will sign copies of his new book. 1.5 hours

Info: 805-370-2301

SAT 7/10

10

2pm

Franklin Canyon -

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Speak for the Trees Kids of all ages will enjoy this playful and interactive program devoted to all things with woody trunks, roots, branches, and leaves or needles, 2hrs MRCA



SAT 7/10 7:30pm

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr **Exploring the Darkness** Join naturalist Steve for this slow evening stroll to experience the smells, sounds, and sights of darkness. Requirements: flashlight, tolerance for darkness, and capacity for quiet observation, 2hrs MRCA

SUN 7/11 8am

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Early Bird Special Join us on a moderate hike to explore our vear-round residents and some summer visitors with naturalist Renata. Binoculars are recommended, 2hrs MRCA

SUN 7/11 8:45am

Santa Monica Mountains Weed Wars Restore Habitat Remove ripgut and thistles so native grasses and oak seedlings can again provide food and shelter for wildlife (credit for community service). Reservations required: 818-348-5910 or volunteer@treepeople.org. 3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP

SUN 7/11 9am

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Nature Trek Learn about the history and habitats of this canyon on a moderately difficult trek, Bring water, 2hrs MRCA

Free Cultural Program

Saturday, July 10 7:30pm-9pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Meet Ted Garcia. Chief of the southern clan of the Chumash, as he shares his cultural heritage. Join us at twilight to participate in Chumash songs and listen to stories. Bring a flashlight. All ages are welcome.

Info: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

SUN 7/11

9am

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Nature Rambles Join naturalist Bob on this walk enriched by his years of Franklin Canyon observations. Magnifiers and binoculars recommended. Reservations requested: 310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA

SUN 7/11 1:30pm

Peter Strauss Ranch What's at Strauss? Take a stroll around Peter Strauss Ranch and discover the rich history of the site with a ranger. After the program, attend a free concert in the amphitheater from 3pm to 5pm, 1hr NPS

SUN 7/11

7pm

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr New Moon Manifesting Join naturalist Michael for a guided meditation and light hiking. Bring water. 1.5hrs MRCA

TUE 7/13 7:30am

Upper Trailhead Info: 818-787-5420, 3.5hrs SC

Caballero Canyon -

Easy Pace Hikers A 6-mile, 800' gain/loss hike with views of the San Fernando Vallev follows old dirt Mulholland Hwy before turning into Sullivan Canyon with rich foliage and big trees. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels.

SAT 7/17

8:45am

Malibu Creek State Park Oak Savannah Restoration/ **Commemorative Oaks** Weed and water young oaks to restore habitat (community service credit). Reservations required: volunteer@treepeople.org or 818-591-1701 x203, 3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP

SAT 7/17 3pm

King Gillette Ranch **Capture A Nature Moment** Make your own photographic history at this site known for its film history. Learn the tricks of the trade from a photographer pro. Meet at the native plant garden. Reservations requested: 310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA

Sunday Concerts in the Park

at Peter Strauss Ranch

July 11, 3pm – 5pm

Border Radio Original sound combines heartfelt songs with prairie swing, tied together with a thread of sweet nostalgia. www.border-radio.com

Plow Like any good Slumgullion stew, Plow borrows ingredients from Americana Heritage Music, adds its own spices, and puts the whole pot on a rolling boil. www.plowroots.com

Sponsors: Topanga Banjo Fiddle Contest & Folk Festival, Inc. and the **National Park Service**

INFO: 818-382-4819 www.topangabanjofiddle.org (see 'Free Concerts')

Garden Tours at the Historic Adamson House

Malibu Lagoon State Beach

Tuesdays at 10am

For groups of 10 or more. Reservations required: 310-456-8432

Fridays at 10am

groups (no reservations required).

Meet docent at the Gate House for a one-hour tour. FFF

SAT 7/17 7:30pm

Malibu Creek State Park **Summer Campfire Wildlife Educational Presentation** Meet live wild birds, mammals, and reptiles in this up-close encounter with local wildlife. 1hr NOWW

SUN 7/18 8am

Malibu Creek State Park Birdwalk Eniov watching birds in unspoiled habitats. Bring binoculars and hiking boots. Beginners welcome. Meet in lower parking lot. Leaders: Muriel 310-457-5796 or Art 818-887-0973, 4hrs SFVAS

SUN 7/18 8:45am

Malibu Creek State Park Oak Savannah Restoration/ **Commemorative Oaks** Weed and water young oaks to restore habitat (community service credit). Reservations required: volunteer@treepeople.org or 818-591-1701 x203. 3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP

SUN 7/18 3pm

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr **Capture A Nature Moment** Naturalist Joanne, an experienced photographer, will teach you the tricks of nature photography. Reservations requested: 310-858-7272 x131, 2hrs MRCA



Classic Silent Movies

The Lucky Devil (1925)

Starring Richard Dix and Esther Ralston. Directed by Frank Tuttle.

Presented on Richard Dix's birthday, Lucky Devil is a rollicking tale of romance and race cars with a crazy uncle thrown in for comic relief.

Paramount Ranch

1.5-2 hours, \$6 FFF, For more info; 805-370-2301

Sponsored by the National Park Service and the Silent Society of Hollywood Heritage, Inc.

Discovery Nature Camp Session 2: July 19 - July 23, 2010 Monday – Friday, 9am

Headwaters Corner

Ages 8–12 will discover the wonders of nature with the aid of scientific tools, hands-on activities, crafts, games, guided hikes and listening to engaging talks by guest speakers. Each session will include a field trip and a new theme will be featured each day. Pre-registration is required. Fee. 6 hours.

For more info or to register:

Mountains Restoration Trust, 818-591-1701 x181

Malibu Lagoon State Beach **Adamson House Docent Training**

Learn how to share Malibu's fascinating history with the public and how to conduct guided tours of the Historic Adamson House.

Group or individual training available. FEE. Reservations required. 12 hours.

Malibu Lagoon **Museum Docents** 310-456-8432

TUE 7/20 7pm

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Nachochan Gathering Enrich your understanding of native cultures with an ensemble of songs, games, hands-on learning, guest speakers, and shared potluck meals. Reservations requested: 310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA

WFD 7/21 9am

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa Plein Air Landscape Painting All artists are welcome to join in creating art. Bring your materials and participate or just observe. Call Trish 805-376-0034. 4hrs TOPAW

Culture in the Canyon at the Chautauqua Series

July 20, Tuesday at 7:30pm **Temescal Gateway Park**

Flying with California Condors

As a result of successful captive breeding programs, condors are now flying free and wild again in the mountains of Southern California. But the plight and fight of these remarkable birds, native to Southern California, are far from over. *Diane Erskine*, of Canyon Country Hiking Club, will share the condor story and her passion for condors. Meet at the Stone Amphitheater. 2 hours SMMC/MRCA

THU 7/22 7:30am

Caballero Canyon -Upper Trailhead Thursday Hikers This is a moderately paced 5-8 mile hike, depending on weather, in northern Topanga State Park. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels. Info: 818-883-5499. SC

SAT 7/24 8:45am

Cold Creek Preserve **Gardening in Cold Creek Preserve** Help restore native plants and California bunch grasses (credit for community service). Reservations required: volunteer@treepeople.org or 818-591-1701 x203, 3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP

SAT 7/24

Franklin Canyon -Franklin Canvon Ranch Nature Rambles Join naturalist Bob on this walk enriched by his years of Franklin Canyon observations. Magnifiers and binoculars recommended. Reservations requested: 310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA

9am



Free Cultural Workshop

Saturday, July 24

10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

All ages are welcome to come make acorn necklaces and listen to stories with our Chumash guest, *Julie Tumamait-Stenslie*.

Info: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

SUN 7/25 8:30am

Malibu Lagoon State Park Beach and Wetlands Bird Watching Experts and beginners, adults and teens, all are welcome. Bring binoculars. Info: 818-894-2541. 2-3hrs SMBAS

SUN 7/25 10am

Malibu Bluffs Park
Bluffs Ramble to the Sea
Enjoy the views on a 2-mile
walk. Dip your toes into the
bay. Look for dolphins, sea
lions, and observe the native
plant recovery after the 2007
wildfire. 2hrs CNPS

SUN 7/25 10am

Malibu Lagoon State Park
Birdwatching for Young
Children and Parents Join us
on this short walk for children
and families (binoculars provided). Reservations required
for groups. Info: 818-894-2541.
1hr SMBAS

SUN 7/25 6:30pm

Cheeseboro/
Palo Comado Canyons
Sunset Hike Avoid the Valley
heat and join us during the
cooler part of the day on a
3-mile hike. Enjoy canyon
views and an oak savannah
as the sun descends on the

horizon, 2hrs NPS



SUN 7/25 8pm

Franklin Canyon Franklin Canyon Ranch
Full Moon Adventure Look
and listen for wildlife on this
moderately strenuous hike with
naturalist Michael. All ages
welcome. 2hrs MRCA

MON 7/26 7:30pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Full Moon Hike Enjoy the
mountains, meadow, and an
ocean overlook as the moon
lights our way. Meet at the
upper parking lot. Reservations
required: 310-317-1364.
\$4 parking fee. 2hrs CMPRD



We Go ECO!

July 31, 2010 Saturday, 10am–2pm

Leo Carrillo State Park

Join us for a hands-on family nature day!
Stop by to learn more about the natural wonders of your park. Meet outside the visitor center to play interactive games, make a craft, or join ongoing exploratory walks.
This program is led by students in the Santa Monica Mountains
National Recreation Area Youth Program. 4hrs NPS

Info: 805-370-2363

SAT 7/31 7:30pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa
Night Eyes Take a 1.5-mile
loop hike with a park ranger
and see what animals come out
at dusk. If we are lucky, we'll
hear the coyotes howl on our
trip. Bring a flashlight. 1.5hrs
NPS

A Children's Tour of the Adamson House, Malibu Lagoon Museum, and Malibu Lagoon

Malibu Lagoon State Beach 9:00 am

View life as lived at the house in the 1930's, Chumash culture, plus birds, fish, and tidepools at the lagoon. 2.5 hours MLMD

Organized children's groups only (such as school groups, scouts, and soccer teams).

Reservations required: 310-456-8432 or 310-317-8379



DRAWING FROM NATURE: Interested in seeing articles on plants and animals in the Santa Monica Mountains, with illustrations by children ages 5–12?

Produced by the UCLA Stunt Ranch Reserve, this science and art series was published in L.A. Times *Kids Reading Room Page* from 2001 through 2006 and can be found at http://stuntranch.ucnrs.org/newsforkids.html

For more info on the Reserve: http://stuntranch.ucnrs.org

Coming in Fall 2010:

Environmental Educator Training

Like working with students (grades K-12)? Enjoy being outside interpreting nature? Want to be part of a local community helping the environment?

Train to become an Environmental Educator!
Interested? Contact the Resource Conservation
District of the Santa Monica Mountains:

rcdsmm.org/education or 818-597-8627 x103 or rcdsmm.edu@gmail.com



SUN 8/1

7am

Topanga State Park
Bird Walk Buffs and beginners
will enjoy discovering the ways
of the birds. Bring binoculars,
hat, water, and snack (bird
book optional). Info: 310455-1401. 3hrs SC/LAAS

SUN 8/1

9:30am

Paramount Ranch
From Set to Screen Illusions
and hard work turn a dusty set
into a realistic town. Join us on
this easy-paced walk to discover
movie magic and the history of
Paramount Ranch. 1hr NPS

SUN 8/1 10am

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Kids' Hands at Franklin Ages 3–8 accompanied by an adult, join naturalist Lucy on a stroll and get inspired for your nature art project. 2hrs MRCA

Temescal Canyon Association

Tuesday Evening Hikes

August 3, 10 and 17

Meet at 6pm in Temescal Gateway Park. Wear hiking boots/sturdy shoes; bring water. 2.5 hours

www.temcanyon.or



SAT 8/7 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Introduction to Mountain
Bike Skills Learn backcountry preparedness, shared-use etiquette, and riding fundamentals. Mountain bike and helmet required. Heavy rain cancels. Info: www.corbamtb.com or 805-558-1606, 4hrs CORBA

SAT 8/7

9am

Rocky Oaks
Safe Not Sorry Learn how
not to have a sorry adventure
in the Santa Monica Mountains.
Identify poison oak, ticks, and
other safety issues while in the
park. Great for scouts or beginning hikers. 1hr NPS

SAT 8/7 10am

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Speak for the Trees Kids of all
ages will enjoy this playful and
interactive program devoted to
all things with woody trunks,
roots, branches, and leaves or
needles. 2hrs MRCA

My Backyard as a Park? Living with Nature and Wildlife

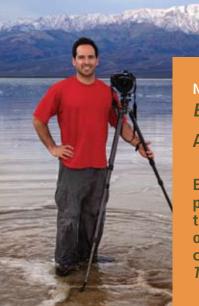
August 7, Saturday, 4pm – 6pm Paramount Ranch

What are your experiences and concerns with wildlife around your home? Share and expand your knowledge at this community program.

Be part of an active discussion and exchange with National Park Service biologists. Learn more about local wildlife including coyotes, bobcats, and mountain lions. Activities include a live wildlife show and how to make your home and backyard safer for wildlife as well as your family through lighting, fencing, and landscaping. Light refreshments will be provided.

Reservations:

RSVP.CommunityProgram@gmail.com or 805-370-2331



NATIONAL PARK SERVICE VISITOR CENTER Exhibit Opening — Steve Sieren

August 1, Sunday, 1:30pm – 3:00pm

Experience the sanctuary of California's wild places, including the Santa Monica Mountains, through the fine art landscape photography of **Steve Sieren**. Meet the artist at the opening celebration. Refreshments will be served. The exhibit will run through **September 29**.

Info: 805-370-2301

Camp with a Ranger at Circle X Ranch

August 7 – 8, 2010 Saturday 3:30pm

- Sunday 9:30am

Want to try camping but don't know how to get started? Learn how to set up tents and other camping skills. Spend the night in the great outdoors. Tents provided. Get a camping checklist when you reserve.

Reservations required by August 2, 2010. Info: National Park Service, 805-370-2301

SAT 8/7 5:30pm

Cold Creek Preserve Lower Stunt High Trailhead
First Saturday at Cold Creek
Valley Preserve Savor late
afternoon lights, colors, and
shadows in a gently rolling
basin set among craggy sandstone peaks. 2hrs CCD

SUN 8/8 8am

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Early Bird Special Join us on
a moderate hike to explore our
year-round residents and some
summer visitors with naturalist
Renata. Binoculars are recommended. 2hrs MRCA

SUN 8/8

9am

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SUN 8/8 9am

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Nature Trek Learn about the history and habitats of this canyon on a moderately difficult trek. Bring water. 2hrs MRCA

SUN 8/8 1:30pm

Peter Strauss Ranch
What's at Strauss? Take a
stroll around Peter Strauss
Ranch and discover the rich
history of the site with a ranger.
After the program, attend a free
concert in the amphitheater
from 3pm to 5pm. 1hr NPS



Sunday Concerts in the Park

at Peter Strauss Ranch

August 8, 3pm - 5pm

The Haberdashery Ensemble

A genre-defying acoustic ensemble based in Los Angeles, known for their energetic, evocative, and witty performances. www.haberdasherymusic.com

2nd Band To be announced

Sponsors: Topanga Banjo Fiddle Contest & Folk Festival, Inc. and the National Park Service INFO: 818-382-4819 www.topangabanjofiddle.org (see 'Free Concerts')

SUN 8/8 6:45pm

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Music in the Mountains
Connect with the spirit of
nature as we focus on meditative rhythms. Bring a didgeridoo, drum, flute, clapper stick,
or a shaker. 1.5hrs MRCA

TUE 8/10 7:30am

Solstice Canyon

Easy Pace Hikers A 4-mile,
400' gain hike on Rising Sun
Trail to Tropical Terrace and
Solstice Canyon Falls, then
back along the canyon through
oak and walnut groves by the
stream. Bring water, snack, hat,
lugsoles, and sunscreen. Rain
cancels. Info: 310-828-6670.
2.5hrs SC

SAT 8/14

8:45am

Topanga State Park

Lower Topanga Creek Restoration Plant, water, and weed creekside native vegetation.

Receive credit for community service. Bring water, snack, and sturdy footwear. Reservations required: 818-591-1701 x203 or volunteer@treepeople.org.

3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP

SAT 8/14 9:30am

Headwaters Corner
Youth Naturalist Program
"Reptiles and Amphibians"
Ages 8–12, learn the difference between the two and
also why they are important. A
guest speaker will bring snakes,
turtles, lizards, and amphibians.
Fee. Pre-registration required:
818-591-1701 x181. 3hrs MRT

SAT 8/14 9:30am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach Paint-Out Enjoy the lagoon with waterfowl views, bridges over marshland, or the surfer beach scene. All artists welcome. Info: allied-artists.com or 310-383-1374. 4hrs AASMM

SAT 8/14 3pm

King Gillette Ranch
Capture A Nature Moment
Make your own photographic
history at this site known for its
film history. Learn the tricks of
the trade from a photographer
pro. Meet at the native plant
garden. Reservations requested:
310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA

SAT 8/14

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Exploring the Darkness Join
naturalist Steve for this slow
evening stroll to experience
the smells, sounds, and sights
of darkness. Requirements:
flashlight, tolerance for darkness, and capacity for quiet
observation. 2hrs MRCA

SAT 8/14 7:30pm

Leo Carrillo State Park
Summer Campfire Wildlife
Educational Presentation
Meet live wild birds, mammals,
and reptiles in this up-close
encounter with local wildlife.
1hr NOWW

SUN 8/15 8am

Malibu Creek State Park
Birdwalk Enjoy watching birds
in unspoiled habitats. Bring
binoculars and hiking boots.
Beginners welcome. Meet in
lower parking lot. Leaders:
Muriel 310-457-5796 or Art
818-887-0973. 4hrs SFVAS

7:30pm SUN 8/15

8:45am

Malibu Creek State Park -Tapia Unit

Weed Wars Restore Habitat Remove vinca and English ivy so native grasses, plants, and oak seedlings will again form the understory of the riparian corridor (community service credit). Reservations required: volunteer@treepeople.org or 818-348-5910. 3.5hrs MRT/ CNPS/TP

A Children's Tour of the Adamson House, Malibu Lagoon Museum, and Malibu Lagoon

Malibu Lagoon State Beach 9:00 am

View life as lived at the house in the 1930's, Chumash culture, plus birds, fish, and tidepools at the lagoon. 2.5 hours MLMD

Organized children's groups only (such as school groups, scouts, and soccer teams).

Reservations required: 310-456-8432 or 310-317-8379

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Free Evening Program

Saturday, August 14 6:30pm-8pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Enjoy social songs and dances of the **Chumash Inter-Tribal Singers** from many local regions. Bring a flashlight. All ages welcome.

Info: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

SUN 8/15

3pm

Franklin Canyon -Franklin Canyon Ranch **Capture A Nature Moment** Naturalist Joanne, an experienced photographer, will teach you the tricks of nature photography. Reservations requested: 310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA

SUN 8/15 6:30pm

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Nature Unplugged Ages 12 and up, tune into nature on this easy hike with naturalist Dora. Wear comfortable shoes and bring a lightweight blanket to sit on. 2hrs MRCA



Discovery Nature Camp

Session 3: August 16 - August 20, 2010 Monday – Friday, 9am

Headwaters Corner

Ages 8–12 will discover the wonders of nature with the aid of scientific tools, hands-on activities, crafts, games, guided hikes and listening to engaging talks by guest speakers. Each session will include a field trip and a new theme will be featured each day. Pre-registration is required. Fee. 6 hours.

For more info or to register: Mountains Restoration Trust, 818-591-1701 x181

Silents Under the Stars SUNDAY August 15 7:30pm Classic Silent Movies

Beggars of Life (1928)

Starring Louise Brooks and Richard Arlen. Directed by William Wellman.

Louise Brooks is on the run from an abusive father and rides the rails dressed as a man with the help of Richard Arlen.

Paramount Ranch

1.5-2 hours. \$6 FEE. For more info: 805-370-2301

Sponsored by the National Park Service and the Silent Society of Hollywood Heritage, Inc.

TUE 8/17

Easy Pace Hikers Moderately includes Lookout Trail, Century picnic area. Meet at the Cornell and Mulholland Hwy dirt park-6670. 2.5hrs SC

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Nachochan Gathering Enrich your understanding of native cultures with an ensemble of songs, games, hands-on learning, quest speakers, and shared potluck meals. Reservations requested: 310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA

Culture in the Canyon at the Chautauqua Series

August 17, Tuesday at 7:30pm **Temescal Gateway Park**

Winemakers' Heaven – California's Mediterranean Climate

The combination of California's sunny days and coastline are ideal for growing premier grapes for premier wines. Learn more about California wines, growers, and join us for a wine tasting as we celebrate one of our state's best products. Meet at the Stone Amphitheater. 2 hours SMMC/MRCA

THU 8/19 7:30am

Caballero Canyon -Upper Trailhead

Thursday Hikers Join us on a moderately paced 5-8 mile hike, depending on weather, in northern Topanga State Park. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels. Info: 818-981-4799. SC

SAT 8/21 8:45am

Malibu Creek State Park Return of Lost Oak Woodlands Help weed and water young oaks to restore habitat (community service credit). Reservations required: 818-591-1701 or volunteer@treepeople. org. 3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP



We Go ECO!

August 21, 2010 Saturday, 10am-2pm Leo Carrillo State Park

Join us for a hands-on family nature day! Stop by to learn more about the natural wonders of your park. Meet outside the visitor center to play interactive games, make a craft, or join ongoing exploratory walks. This program is led by students in the Santa **Monica Mountains** National Recreation Area Youth Program. 4hrs NPS

Info: 805-370-2363

SAT 8/21

7pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa Night Eves Take a 1.5-mile loop hike with a park ranger and see what animals come out at dusk. If we are lucky, we'll hear the coyotes howl on our trip. Bring a flashlight. 1.5hrs NPS



Photo: Valley Oak by C.R. Montgomery Spirit of the Mountains Photo Contest 2009 Winner - 2nd Place, Plants

7:30am

Malibu Creek State Park paced 6-mile, 600' gain hike Lake, MASH site, and Reagan ing area. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels. Info: 310-828-

TUE 8/17

7pm





Garden Tours at the Historic Adamson House

Malibu Lagoon State Beach

Tuesdays at 10am

For groups of 10 or more. Reservations required: 310-456-8432

Fridays at 10am

For individuals and small groups (no reservations required).

Meet docent at the Gate House for a one-hour tour. FFF

SUN 8/22 8:30am

Malibu Lagoon State Park Beach and Wetlands Bird Watching Experts and beginners, adults and teens, all are welcome. Bring binoculars. Info: 818-894-2541. 2–3hrs SMBAS

SUN 8/22 8:45am

Malibu Creek State Park
Oak Woodland Restoration
Join us in weeding and watering young oaks to help restore habitat (community service credit). Reservations required: volunteer@treepeople.org or 818-591-1701 x203. 3.5hrs
MRT/CNPS/TP

SUN 8/22 10am

Malibu Lagoon State Park
Birdwatching for Young Children and Parents Join us on
this short walk (binoculars provided). Reservations required
for groups. Info: 818-894-2541.
1hr SMBAS

SUN 8/22 6:30pm

Solstice Canyon

Twilight Hike Escape the heat and come for an evening of exploration. See how much water is left in our perennial waterfall on this 2.5-mile streamside stroll. 1.5hrs NPS

TUE 8/24 7:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Easy Pace Hikers This is a
4–6 mile hike from Nicholas
Flat down through Nicholas
Canyon. Enjoy a snack at the
Sycamore Grove picnic grounds.
Meet at the Malibu Nature Preserve, 33905 West Pacific Coast
Hwy. Short car shuttle. Bring
water, snack, lugsoles, hat,
and sunscreen. Rain cancels.
Info: 818-787-5420 3.5hrs SC

TUE 8/24 7pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Full Moon Hike Enjoy the
mountains, meadow, and an
ocean overlook. Meet at the
upper parking lot. Reservations
required: 310-317-1364.
\$4 parking fee. 2hrs CMPRD

TUE 8/24 8pm

Franklin Canyon Franklin Canyon Ranch
Full Moon Adventure Look
and listen for wildlife on this
moderately strenuous hike with
naturalist Michael. All ages
welcome. 2hrs MRCA

SAT 8/28 8:45am

Cold Creek Preserve

Cold Creek Habitat Restoration Day Help restore oak and willow woodlands by removing weeds and watering plants. Receive community service credit. Reservations required: 818-591-1701 x203 or volunteer@treepeople.org. 3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP

SAT 8/28 9am

Franklin Canyon Franklin Canyon Ranch
Nature Rambles Join naturalist
Bob on this walk enriched by
his years of Franklin Canyon
observations. Magnifiers and
binoculars recommended.
Reservations requested: 310858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA

Free Evening Program

Saturday, August 28 6pm-7:30pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Kathy and Steven Garcia will bring their family out for northern traditional dancing and fancy shawl dancing.

Come see this special family performance under the shadow of Boney Mountain.

Bring a flashlight. All ages welcome.

Info: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

SAT 8/28 7:30pm

Leo Carrillo State Park
Summer Campfire Wildlife
Educational Presentation
Meet live wild birds, mammals,
and reptiles in this up-close
encounter with local wildlife.
1hr NOWW

SUN 8/29 10am

Malibu Bluffs Park
Bluffs Ramble to the Sea
Enjoy the views on a 2-mile
walk. Dip your toes into the
bay. Look for dolphins, sea
lions, and observe the native
plant recovery after the 2007
wildfire, 2hrs CNPS

TUE 8/31 7:30am

Caballero Canyon -Upper Trailhead Easy Pace Hikers This is a 6-mile, 800' gain hike to a viewpoint at Eagle Rock in Topanga State Park. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels. Info: 818-787-5420. 3.5hrs SC

TUE 8/31 8:30am

Will Rogers State Historic Park Moderate Hikers Hike 7 miles, 1500' gain roundtrip to Temescal Gateway Park and Temescal Canyon waterfall. Bring water and lunch. If Red Flag Alert, meet below Santa Monica Pier at 8:30am. Info: 310-454-4188.

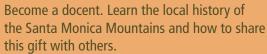
Upcoming Training in September:

Topanga Canyon Docents 36th Annual

Docent TrainingTopanga State Park

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September 25, 2010 Saturday, 9:30am



Saturday sessions will cover many topics — including plants, mammals, insects, reptiles, amphibians, birds, and Native Americans. FEE. 6 hours each class.

Reservations required: info@tc-docents.org or 310-710-0883.

COLD CREEK DOCENTS Annual Naturalist Training

Training begins on Monday, **September 27, 2010**.

Have some natural science background and interest? Lead nature hikes with ages 8–12 at UCLA Stunt Ranch Reserve.

Learn about the cultural and natural history of the Santa Monica Mountains, interpretive techniques, and more. Make cool teaching tools. Fee.

Info: 818-591-9363





THU 9/2 8am

Malibu Creek State Park
Thursday Moderate Hikers
This 8-mile, 800' gain hike
includes Lookout Trail, Forest
Trail, Century Lake, Rock Pools,
and Reagan picnic area. Meet
at Cornell and Mulholland Hwy
dirt parking area. Bring 2 qts
water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and
sunscreen. Rain cancels. Info:
818-981-4799. 4.5hrs SC

SAT 9/4 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Trail Rehab Work Help maintain trails. No experience necessary. Call for more information or to receive a current schedule.
818-222-4531. 6hrs SMMTC

SAT 9/4 9am

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa
Safe Not Sorry Learn how
not to have a sorry adventure
in the Santa Monica Mountains.
Identify poison oak, ticks, and
other safety issues while in the
park. Great for scouts or beginning hikers. 1hr NPS

SAT 9/4 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Introduction to Mountain
Bike Skills Learn backcountry preparedness, shared-use etiquette, and riding fundamentals. Mountain bike and helmet required. Heavy rain cancels. Info: www.corbamtb.com or 805-558-1606. 4hrs CORBA

SAT 9/4 10am

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Franklin's Movie Magic
This site has been the backdrop
for such classics as When a
Stranger Calls, It Happened One
Night, and The Andy Griffith
Show. Go on location with
naturalist Diane on this easy
walk. 2hrs MRCA

SAT 9/4 5:30pm

Cold Creek Preserve Lower Stunt High Trailhead
First Saturday at Cold Creek
Valley Preserve Delight in the
play of late afternoon color and
shadow in a gently rolling basin
set among sandstone peaks.
2hrs CCD

Spirit of the Mountains



Start gathering your photos for the Spirit of the Mountains Photo Contest!

Submissions accepted from September 1 – 30. Check website for 2010 categories, rules, and application forms.

Info: National Park Service at 805-370-2301 or www.nps.gov/samo/photocontest.htm

SUN 9/5 7am

Topanga State Park
Bird Walk Buffs and beginners
will enjoy discovering the ways
of the birds. Bring binoculars,
hat, water, and snack (bird
book optional). Info: 310455-1401. 3hrs SC/LAAS

SUN 9/5 9am

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Nature Rambles Join naturalist Bob on this walk enriched by his years of Franklin Canyon observations. Magnifiers and binoculars recommended. Reservations requested: 310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA

SUN 9/5 9:30am

Paramount Ranch
From Set to Screen Illusions
and hard work turn a dusty set
into a realistic town. Join us on
this easy-paced walk to discover
movie magic and the history of
Paramount Ranch. 1hr NPS

SUN 9/5 10am

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Kids' Hands at Franklin Ages
3–8 accompanied by an adult,
join naturalist Lucy on a stroll
and get inspired for your nature
art project. 2hrs MRCA

TUE 9/7 8am

Cold Creek Preserve -Lower Stunt High Trailhead Easy Pace Hikers A 4-mile, 800' gain hike starts up a fire road and then goes down into hidden Red Rock Canyon. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels. Info: 818-787-5420. 2.5hrs SC

TUE 9/7 9am

Point Mugu State Park
Moderate Hikers For this
9-mile roundtrip hike with
1200' gain to saddle above
Serrano Canyon, bring water
and lunch. If Red Flag Alert,
meet below Santa Monica Pier
at 8:30am. Info: 310-202-0331.
SC

THU 9/9 8am

Topanga State Park
Thursday Moderate Hikers
This is a 9-mile, 1800' gain
hike in a canyon and along
the ridge. Meet at trailhead
on Old Topanga Canyon Rd
0.4 mile west of intersection
with Topanga Canyon Blvd.
Limited roadside parking.
Bring 2 qts of water, snack,
lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen.
Rain cancels. Info: 818-9814799. 5hrs SC

A Children's Tour of the Adamson House, Malibu Lagoon Museum, and Malibu Lagoon

Malibu Lagoon State Beach 9:00 am

View life as lived at the house in the 1930's, Chumash culture, plus birds, fish, and tidepools at the lagoon. 2.5 hours MLMD

Organized children's groups only (such as school groups, scouts, and soccer teams).

Reservations required: 310-456-8432 or 310-317-8379

SAT 9/11 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Trail Rehab Work Help maintain trails. No experience necessary. Call for more information or to receive a current schedule.
818-222-4531. 6hrs SMMTC

SAT 9/11 8:45am

Topanga State Park
Lower Topanga Creek Restoration Plant, water, and weed creekside native vegetation.
Receive credit for community service. Bring water, snack, and sturdy footwear. Reservations required: 818-591-1701 x203 or volunteer@treepeople.org.
3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP



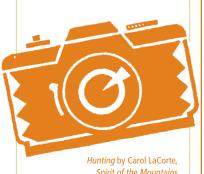
Sunday, September 5
10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Learn how to make tule dolls with Julia Bogany. All ages welcome.

Info: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



Spirit of the Mountains
Photo Contest 2009 Winner
– 1st Place – Tie, Animals Category



Garden Tours at the Historic Adamson House

Malibu Lagoon State Beach

Tuesdays at 10am

For groups of 10 or more. Reservations required: 310-456-8432

Fridays at 10am

For individuals and small groups (no reservations required).

Meet docent at the Gate House for a one-hour tour. FEE

SAT 9/11 2pm

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Speak for the Trees Kids of all ages will enjoy this playful and interactive program devoted to all things with woody trunks, roots, branches, and leaves or needles. 2hrs MRCA

SAT 9/11 3pm

King Gillette Ranch
Capture A Nature Moment
Make your own photographic
history at this site known for its
film history. Learn the tricks of
the trade from a photographer
pro. Meet at the native plant
garden. Reservations requested:
310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA



SAT 9/11

Santa Monica Mountains
Paint-Out Enjoy the carnival
atmosphere and the twinkling
at-dusk coastline. Meet at the
merry-go-round at the Santa
Monica Pier. Look for red flag.
All artists welcome. Info: 310383-1374 or allied-artists.com.
4hrs AASMM

4pm

SAT 9/11 6:30 pm

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Into the Night – Birds and
Beyond Join naturalist Steve
to meet the animals that fly,
scurry, stalk, and buzz at night.
Bring binoculars for a stroll
around the lake. 2hrs MRCA

SUN 9/12 8am

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Early Bird Special Join us on
a moderate hike to explore our
year-round residents and some
summer visitors with naturalist
Renata. Binoculars are recommended. 2hrs MRCA

SUN 9/12 8:45am

Santa Monica Mountains
Weed Wars Restore Habitat
Remove ripgut and thistles
so native grasses, plants,
and oak seedlings can again
provide food and shelter for
the animals. Receive credit for
community service. Reservations required: 818-348-5910
or volunteer@treepeople.org.
3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP

SUN 9/12 9am

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Nature Trek Learn about the history and habitats of this canyon on a moderately difficult trek. Bring water. 2hrs MRCA

SUN 9/12 1:30pm

Peter Strauss Ranch
What's at Strauss? Take a
stroll around Peter Strauss
Ranch and discover the rich
history of the site with a ranger.
After the program, attend a
free concert in the amphitheater
from 3pm to 5pm. 1hr NPS

Sunday Concerts in the Park



September 12, 3pm – 5pm

Performers to be announced

Enjoy an afternoon of music in the park sponsored by the Topanga Banjo Fiddle Contest & Folk Festival, Inc. and the National Park Service

See 'free concerts' at www.topangabanjofiddle.org or call 818-382-4819

SUN 9/12

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Capture A Nature Moment
Naturalist Joanne, an experienced photographer, will teach
you the tricks of nature photography. Reservations requested:
310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA

3pm

SUN 9/12 6pm

Franklin Canyon Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Meditations in the Mountains Heighten your awareness
on peaceful guided meditations
with naturalist Michael. Bring
water. 1.5hrs MRCA

TUE 9/14 8am

Zuma/Trancas Canyons -Newton Canyon Trailhead Easy Pace Hikers Enjoy a 5-mile, 300' gain hike from Newton Canyon to Latigo Canyon on a section of the Backbone Trail through oak woodlands and chaparral with ocean views. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, sunscreen and hat. Rain cancels. Info: 818-787-5420. 2.5hrs SC

TUE 9/14 9am

Santa Monica Mountains
Moderate Hikers Hike 9 miles
roundtrip with 1200' gain to Etz
Meloy Peak (2450') including
newest section of Backbone
Trail. Meet at Encinal Canyon
Rd trailhead (south side of road
east of Fire Camp #13). Bring
water, lunch, and lug soles.
If Red Flag Alert, meet below
Santa Monica Pier at 8:30am.
Info: 310-839-8235. SC

SAT 9/18 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Trail Rehab Work No experience necessary. For more info or to receive a current schedule:
818-222-4531. 6hrs SMMTC

SAT 9/18 8:45am

Malibu Creek State Park
Oak Savannah Restoration/
Commemorative Oaks Weed
and water young oaks. Reservations required: volunteer@
treepeople.org or 818-591-1701
x203. 3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP



LECTURE SERIES

Bringing the Santa Monicas Home to Your Garden

September 18 Saturday 2pm

Antonio Sanchez,
co-owner of Nopalito
Native Plant Nursery,
will show you how to
use some of our most
attractive local plants
in your garden. He will
cover what plants
to use for hedges,
groundcovers, and more.
Participants will each
receive a free native plant
and various handouts
will be available.
1.5 hours

Info: 805-370-2301

SAT 9/18

6:30pm

Headwaters Corner
Youth Naturalist Program
"Astronomy" Ages 8–12,
use telescopes to learn about
the night sky. A guest speaker
will guide us through stars,
planets, and constellations.
Fee. Pre-registration required:
818-591-1701 x181. 3hrs MRT

SAT 9/18 6:30pm

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa
Night Eyes Take a 1.5-mile
loop hike with a park ranger
and see what animals come
out at dusk. If we are lucky,
we'll hear the coyotes howl
on our trip. Bring a flashlight.
1.5hrs NPS

SUN 9/19

Malibu Creek State Park
Birdwalk Enjoy watching birds
in unspoiled habitats. Bring
binoculars and hiking boots.
Beginners welcome. Meet in
lower parking lot. Leaders:
Muriel 310-457-5796 or Art

8am

SUN 9/19 8:45am

818-887-0973.4hrs SFVAS

Malibu Creek State Park
Oak Savannah Restoration/
Commemorative Oaks Weed
and water young oaks. Reservations required: volunteer@
treepeople.org or 818-591-1701
x203. 3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP

SUN 9/19 9:30am

Cold Creek Preserve -Preserve's Lower Gate
This is Los Angeles???
Meander along a stream-fed
canyon filled with majestic oaks
and sycamores while listening
to nature's many voices. 2.5hrs
CCD

Photo by David McMartin Woolly Blue Curls *Trichostema lanatum*

Free Cultural Workshop

Sunday, September 19

10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Come make a dreamcatcher with Wichita quest host Michael Williams.

All ages welcome.

Info: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

SUN 9/19

10am

Franklin Canyon -

Franklin Canvon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr A Turtle's Race Around the Lake Learn about our local ecosystem from naturalist Rebecca on an easy 1-mile walk. Bring water, hat, and appropriate shoes. Meet in parking lot below nature center, 1.5hrs MRCA

TUE 9/21 7pm

Franklin Canyon -Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Nachochan Gathering Enrich your understanding of native cultures with an ensemble of songs, games, hands-on learning, guest speakers, and shared potluck meals. Reservations requested: 310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA

WED 9/22 6:30pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr **Unplug Nature for the** Autumn Equinox Ages 12 and up, tune into nature on this easy hike with naturalist Dora. Wear trail-appropriate shoes and bring a lightweight blanket (optional) to sit on. 2hrs MRCA

THU 9/23 8am

Topanga State Park -Dead Horse Trailhead **Thursday Moderate Hikers** This 8-mile, 1200' gain loop hike follows the Musch Trail to Eagle Rock. Bring 2 qts water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels. Parking fee. Info: 818-883-5499. 4.5hrs SC

THU 9/23 7pm

Franklin Canyon -Franklin Canyon Ranch Full Moon Adventure Look and listen for wildlife on this moderately strenuous hike with naturalist Michael. All ages welcome. 2hrs MRCA

THU 9/23 7pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park Full Moon Hike Enjoy the mountains, meadow, and an ocean overlook as the moon lights our way. Meet at the upper parking lot. Reservations required: 310-317-1364. \$4 parking fee. 2hrs CMPRD

Culture in the Canyon at the Chautauqua Series

September 21, Tuesday at 7:30pm Temescal Gateway Park

Olive Oil – A California Classic

An in-depth look at olive farms in California and the superb olive oil that comes from those efforts. Join local California olive grower **Audrey Burnam** in celebrating the farmer's spirit and the rewards of a successful harvest. The evening will include a sampling of local olive oil for tasting. Meet at Woodland Hall, 2 hours SMMC/MRCA

SAT 9/25 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains Trail Rehab Work Help maintain trails. No experience necessary. Call for more information or to receive a current schedule. 818-222-4531. 6hrs SMMTC

8:45am SAT 9/25

Cold Creek Preserve Creekside Habitat Restoration Help plant and water hundreds of native plants to restore habitat (credit for community service). Reservations required: volunteer@treepeople.org or 818-591-1701 x203. 3.5hrs MRT/CNPS/TP

SAT 9/25 9am

Franklin Canvon -Franklin Canvon Ranch Nature Rambles Join naturalist Bob on this walk enriched by his years of Franklin Canvon observations. Magnifiers and binoculars recommended. Reservations requested: 310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs MRCA

SAT 9/25

6pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch **Autumn Equinox Hike** Join naturalist Michael for a moderate hike to discuss what makes seasons change, identify planets and constellations, and listen to the sounds of nightfall. 2hrs MRCA

Franklin Canyon -

SUN 9/26 8:30am

Malibu Lagoon State Park **Beach and Wetlands Bird** Watching Experts and beginners, adults and teens, all are welcome. Bring binoculars. Info: 818-894-2541, 2-3hrs **SMBAS**

SUN 9/26 10am

Malibu Lagoon State Park Birdwatching for Young Children and Parents Join us on this short walk for children and families (binoculars provided). Reservations required for groups. Info: 818-894-2541. 1hr SMBAS

National Public Lands Day



Saturday, September 25, 2010 is the 17th annual National Public Lands Day.

Join us at Franklin Canyon 9am – 1pm. Participate in the nation's largest hands-on volunteer effort to improve and enhance the public lands Americans enjoy.

Anyone under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Info: 805-370-2301 or 805-370-2317

SUN 9/26

10am

Malibu Bluffs Park Bluffs Ramble to the Sea Enjoy the views on a 2-mile walk. Dip your toes into the bay. Look for dolphins, sea lions, and observe the native plant recovery after the 2007 wildfire. 2hrs CNPS

TUE 9/28 8am

Santa Monica Mountains **Easy Pace Hikers** Hike 5.5 miles, with 600' gain, through Wilacre and Coldwater Canyon Parks to Fryman Canyon's hidden eucalyptus grove and seasonal creek. Meet at trailhead on Fryman Rd just west of Laurel Canyon Blvd. Park in fee lot. Bring water, snack, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. Rain cancels. Info: 818-981-4799, 3.5hrs SC

TUE 9/28 9am

King Gillette Ranch Moderate Hikers Hike 8 miles with 1000' gain to Malibu Creek State Park. Meet at SW corner of Mulholland Hwy and Las Virgenes/Malibu Cyn Rd. Bring water and lunch. If Red Flag Alert, meet below Santa Monica Pier at 8:30 am. Info: aalbaisa@sbcglobal.net. SC

TUE 9/28 7pm

Headwaters Corner Gourd Society Meeting Join a workshop of gourd artists. Experience new techniques and ideas. Beginners welcome. Gourds available. Info: Dorie 818-702-8020. 2hrs SFVGP

Hiking & Safety Tips



Millennium by Mae Harrison, Spirit of the Mountains Photo Contest 2009 Winner – 2nd Place Tie, Scenic Shots Category

Ticks are plentiful. Some of them carry diseases. Check your clothing and exposed skin after hiking.

Southern Pacific Rattlesnakes make the mountains their home. Stay away from them, and they won't bother you. In case of a rattlesnake bite, DO NOT make an incision or try to draw out venom. Splint the extremity and transport victim to an emergency room.

Wear sturdy **footwear**—hiking boots or sneakers with good tread.

Poison oak can be identified by its clusters of three shiny leaflets. The best way to avoid it is to stay on trails.

Never hike alone, use the buddy system. That leaves someone to go for help if you encounter trouble.

Help prevent wildfire. Do not smoke on trails or in brush areas. Do not build fires on the ground.

Carry plenty of water and drink it. One quart for short walks, more for longer hikes.

Note: Whether you are an equestrian, hiker, or mountain bicyclist, please help us protect our natural areas by staying on designated trails. Be considerate of other trail users and respect private land.

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Circle X Ranch	Group camping, hiking, picnicking in high mountain country. 15 miles of trails. Guided walks as scheduled. Camping fee. NPS	
Cold Creek Preserve	Open daily by reservation only for group and individual walks. Scheduled interpretive plant and bird walks. Tours for private groups may be arranged. 818-591-1701. CCD/MRT	
Coldwater Canyon Park	TreePeople location. Nursery open WED 10am to noon, and SAT from 2pm to 4pm. TP	
Franklin Canyon Ranch/ Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr	Open daily. Hiking, picnicking and nature trails. Regularly scheduled naturalist programs. WODOC/MRCA	
Leo Carrillo State Park	Campfire programs and hikes as scheduled. Camping, fishing, hiking, and surfing. Visitor center open 10am to 3pm weekends. Parking fee. CSP	
Malibu Creek State Park	Campfire programs and hikes as scheduled. Camping, picnicking, hiking, bicycling and equestrian trails. Visitor center open weekends noon to 4pm. Crafts and games for children on first and third SAT of month 12:15pm to 2:30pm. Day-use parking fee. CSP/MCD	
Malibu Lagoon State Beach/ Historic Adamson House	Tours of historic Adamson House and museum WED thru SAT 11am to 3pm Reservations required for 12 or more. TUE: groups by reservation. Tour fees Bird walks at the state beach lagoon. Parking fee. CSP/MLMD/SMBAS	
Paramount Ranch	Western town movie set. Ranger-led programs as scheduled; call 805-370-2301 for dates. Picnicking. Equestrian and hiking trails. NPS	
Peter Strauss Ranch	Open 8am to sunset daily. Hillside loop trail, picnicking. Concerts as scheduled. NPS	
Point Mugu State Park	Camping, picnicking, hiking, bicycling and equestrian trails. Naturalist programs as scheduled. Parking fee. CSP	
Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa	Hiking, bicycling and equestrian trails with access to Point Mugu State Park. Culture center is open on SAT & SUN 9am to 5pm. NPS	
Rocky Oaks	Hiking and equestrian trails, picnic area. NPS	
Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area Visitor Center	Open daily from 9am to 5pm and closed some holidays. Info on Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area and other national parks. Exhibits and bookstore. NPS	
Temescal Gateway Park	Open daily. Hiking, picnicking and overnight group accommodations available. Parking fee. MRCA	
Topanga State Park	Hiking, picnicking, equestrian and mountain bike trails. Docent-led walks as scheduled. Parking fee. CSP/TCD	
Will Rogers State Historic Park	Park grounds open 8am to sunset. Guided tour of ranch house available TUE thru SUN at 11am, 1pm, and 2pm (ranch house closed on MON). Reservations needed for groups of 25 or more. Parking fee. CSP/WRD	
UCLA Stunt Ranch Santa Monica Mountains Reserve	Environmental research and education. K-12, university level, and community programs. By prior approval only 310-206-3887. SRSMMR	



- *Arroyo Sequit 34138 Mulholland Hwy, Malibu. Pacific Coast Hwy to Mulholland Hwy. Turn inland on Mulholland Hwy and go 6 miles to park entrance on right side of road.
- Caballero Canyon Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Reseda Blvd, turn south. Lower Trailhead: 1.9 miles south just past the fountains on left side. Upper Trailhead: Marvin Braude Mulholland Gateway Park. 3.1 miles south at the end of Reseda Blvd near dirt Mulholland.
- California State Parks
 Headquarters Ventura Fwy (101) to Las
 Virgenes Rd. Go 3 miles south on Las Virgenes
 Rd to Mulholland Hwy intersection (traffic
 light). Park entrance is 0.25 mile south of the
 intersection on Las Virgenes Rd. From Pacific
 Coast Hwy: north on Malibu Canyon Rd to
 Malibu Creek State Park entrance on left.
- 4 *Castro Crest Pacific Coast Hwy to Corral Canyon Rd (west of Malibu Canyon Rd). Follow Corral Canyon Rd to end (parking lot).
- 5 Charmlee Wilderness Park Pacific Coast Hwy, about 3 miles south of Ventura County line. Turn inland on Encinal Canyon Rd, 4 miles to park entrance on the left side of road.
- 6 *Cheeseboro/Palo Comado Canyons Ventura Fwy (101) to Chesebro Rd exit. Turn north on Palo Comado Canyon Rd then right on Chesebro Rd. Go north 1 mile to park entrance. Turn right and follow road to parking lot.
- 7 *Circle X Ranch Pacific Coast Hwy to Yerba Buena Rd. Turn inland; go 5.4 miles to Circle X Ranch contact station. Sandstone Peak Trailhead: 1 mile north of Circle X Ranch contact station on Yerba Buena Rd. Parking lot is on left. Mishe Mokwa Trailhead: 1.75 miles north of the Circle X contact station along Yerba Buena Road. Parking lot is on right.

8 Cold Creek Preserve & Stunt Ranch Reserve Area Ventura Fwy (101) to Topanga Canyon Blvd south to Mulholland Dr. Turn west (right) 0.25 mile. At Mulholland Hwy, turn left. Continue for 5 miles to Stunt Rd.

Lower Stunt High Trailhead: Turn left on Stunt Rd. 1 mile to pullout on right.

Stunt Rd. 1 mile to pullout on right.

Preserve's Lower Gate: Turn left on Stunt
Rd. 1.2 miles to pullout on right. Permit
required for walk-in visitation. Preserve's
Upper Gate: Turn left on Stunt Rd. 3.3 miles
to pullout on left. Permit required for walk-in
visitation.

Top of Stunt Rd: Intersection of Schueren, Saddle Peak and Stunt Rds.

9 Coldwater Canyon Park Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Coldwater Canyon Ave. Go south to intersection at Mulholland Dr. Entrance is on east (left) side.

10 Franklin Canyon

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr (Upper Franklin Canyon): From Ventura Fwy (101), go 2.5 miles south on Coldwater Cyn Ave. At intersection with Mulholland Dr and Franklin Cyn Dr (directly across from Coldwater Canyon Park), turn right on Franklin Cyn Dr. Go 0.5 mile and turn left at sign for William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom. Park in lot on left next to nature center. (To go to Franklin Canyon Ranch: continue south on the reservoir road and Franklin Canyon Dr. Turn left on Lake Dr.) Franklin Canyon Ranch (Lower Franklin Canvon): From Sunset Blvd, turn north on Beverly Dr. Continue on Beverly Dr by veering left at "to Coldwater Cyn Dr" sign and left at intersection with Coldwater Cyn Dr (look for Beverly Hills Fire Station #2). Turn right on Franklin Canyon Dr. Go 1 mile and turn right on Lake Dr. Park at main lot at end of road. (To go to Sooky Goldman Nature Center: continue north on Franklin Canyon Dr, past Lake Dr. Turn right at sign for William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom. Continue to parking lot on right.)

- 11 Headwaters Corner Ventura Fwy (101)
 Exit Mulholland Dr/Valley Circle. Go south
 on Mulholland Dr to Valmar Rd. Turn right
 on Valmar Rd. Continue south and veer right
 on Mulholland Hwy. Signed entrance will be
 on right.
- 12 King Gillette Ranch Ventura Fwy (101)
 Exit Las Virgenes Rd. Go 3 miles south on
 Las Virgenes Rd to Mulholland Hwy intersection (traffic light). Turn left on Mulholland
 Hwy. Park entrance is 0.1 mile on right.
- 13 Leo Carrillo State Park

Pacific Coast Hwy at Mulholland Highway.

Nicholas Flat Trailhead: From Pacific
Coast Hwy, turn north on Decker Road.

Travel about 2 miles and turn left on
Decker School Road (not Decker School Lane).

Follow road to the end.

- 14 Malibu Bluffs Park Pacific Coast Hwy at Malibu Canvon Road.
- Fwy (101) Exit Las Virgenes Rd. Go 3 miles south on Las Virgenes Rd to Mulholland Hwy intersection (traffic light). Park entrance is 0.25 mile south of the intersection on Las Virgenes Rd. From Pacific Coast Hwy: north on Malibu Canyon Rd to park entrance on left. Tapia Unit: Entrance is 1 mile south of entrance to Malibu Creek State Park.

 Reagan Ranch: Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan 0.5 mile. Left on Cornell Way and veer to right. South 3 miles to parking area on left (just past Mulholland Hwy).

Backbone Trailhead-Malibu Canyon Road: Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Las Virgenes Rd. Go south 5 miles to parking lot on right.

16 Malibu Lagoon State Beach

Pacific Coast Hwy 0.25 mile west of Malibu Pier and 1.5 miles east of Malibu Canyon Rd. Parking lot on ocean side of highway at Cross Creek Rd.

Adamson House: 23200 Pacific Coast Hwy. Parking lot on ocean side of Pacific Coast Hwy opposite Serra Rd.

- 17 *National Park Service Visitor
 Center/Headquarters for Santa
 Monica Mountains National
 Recreation Area 401 West Hillcrest Dr,
 Thousand Oaks. Ventura Fwy (101) to Lynn
 Rd. North on Lynn Rd. Turn east (right) on
 Hillcrest Dr. Left on McCloud Ave. Turn into
 first driveway on your right. Follow road to
 the end. The visitor center is located in first
 building nearest road.
- 18 *Paramount Ranch Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan 0.5 mile. Left on Cornell Way and veer to right. South 2.5 miles, entrance is on right side of the road.
- 19 *Peter Strauss Ranch Ventura Fwy
 (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan Rd 2.8
 miles. Turn left on Troutdale Dr to Mulholland
 Hwy. Left on Mulholland Hwy 400' then right
 into the parking lot. Walk back across the
 bridge on Mulholland Hwy and enter main
 gate to go into the ranch area.
- 20 Point Dume State Preserve Pacific Coast Hwy to Westward Beach Rd in Malibu. Turn south and follow road to parking lot.
- 21 Point Mugu State Park Pacific Coast Hwy, 4 miles west of the Ventura County line. Enter park at Sycamore Canyon Campground. Ray Miller Trailhead: 1.6 miles west of Sycamore Canyon Campground along Pacific Coast Hwy.
- 22 R. H. Meyer Memorial State
 Beaches Pacific Coast Hwy near Encinal
 Canyon Rd.
- 23 *Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa
 Ventura Fwy (101) to Lynn Rd exit. South

Ventura Fwy (101) to Lynn Rd exit. South on Lynn Rd 5.25 miles to Via Goleta. Park entrance is on the left.

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center: Walk 0.3 mile up gravel road from the parking area to brown wooden building. Wendy Trailhead: Ventura Fwy (101) to Wendy Dr. exit. South on Wendy Dr to dirt pullout at intersection with Potrero Rd.

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- 24 Red Rock Canyon Ventura Fwy (101) to Topanga Canyon Blvd, south to Mulholland Dr. Turn west (right). At Mulholland Hwy turn left. Drive 5 miles to Stunt Rd. Turn left. Drive 1 mile to "Stunt High Trail" sign. Park on wide dirt area on the right side of road. Cross Stunt Rd and hike 1.5 miles on Calabasas Peak Fire Road into canyon.
- 25 *Rocky Oaks Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd. South on Kanan Rd to Mulholland Hwy. Turn west (right) on Mulholland Hwy and right again into parking lot.
- 26 Runyon Canyon Park Hollywood Fwy (101) to Highland Av. South to Franklin Ave. West on Franklin to Fuller, north on Fuller to dead end. Park on street. North Entrance 2.6 miles east of Laurel Canyon Blvd on Mulholland Dr.
- 27 *Solstice Canyon From Pacific Coast Hwy turn inland on Corral Canyon Rd. Drive 0.25 mile to park entrance on left.
- Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center See #23.
- Sooky Goldman Nature Center See #10.
- 28 Stunt Ranch Reserve See #8.
- 29 Tapia Park See #15.
- 30 Temescal Gateway Park From Pacific Coast Hwy, turn inland on Temescal Canyon Rd. Cross Sunset Blvd.
- 31 Topanga State Park South from Ventura Fwy (101) or north from Pacific Coast Hwy on Topanga Canyon Blvd to Entrada Rd on east (left) side of road. Turn east on Entrada Rd and make two left turns to stay on Entrada Rd to park entrance.

Dead Horse Trailhead: From Topanga Canyon Blvd, turn East on Entrada Rd. Parking lot is 900' on left.

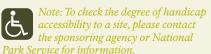
Los Liones Trailhead: From Pacific Coast Hwy turn inland on Sunset Blvd. Continue on Sunset Blvd for 0.25 mile and turn left on Los Liones Dr. Follow road to the end.

- 32 Wilacre Park Ventura Fwy (101) to Laurel Canyon Blvd, south 1.5 miles to Fryman Rd. Turn right and park along street. Entrance on Fryman Rd just off of Laurel Canyon Blvd.
- 33 Will Rogers State Historic Park
 1501 Will Rogers State Park Rd, Pacific
 Palisades. Pacific Coast Hwy to Sunset Blvd.
 Inland 5 miles on Sunset Blvd. Entrance signs
 on left side of road.
- 34 *Zuma/Trancas Canyons

Zuma Ridge Trailhead: Pacific Coast Hwy to Busch Drive (near Zuma Beach). Go north on Busch Drive until it ends.

Zuma Canyon Trailhead: Pacific Coast Hwy to Busch Drive (near Zuma Beach). Go north on Busch Drive. Turn right on Rainsford Place. Turn left on Bonsall Drive. Parking lot at end of road.

Newton Canyon Trailhead: Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd. South on Kanan past Mulholland Hwy. Paved pullout is about 1.75 miles south of Mulholland on right, just north of Tunnel 1.



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